



LISA

J.T.C.



Look at these
bills piling up!
What are you going
to do about it?

I'm doing all I can! I'm working
into all hours of the night, getting
pinched by drunken old men. I
shouldn't have to take this.



It's your responsibility, Henry.
Aren't **you** the man of the house?

Get off my back, Linda!

I've been out all day looking
for a job, and I'm tired.

There just
isn't any-
thing to
be found.

We've been through all this before.
Quit throwing it in my face!

You girls turn off that TV
and get your work done!

I want the floors mopped
and the dishes done.

Aw, Mom!

There's left-
overs in the
refrigerator for
you to heat up
for your dad.

Make sure you clean up after
yourselves. I **don't** want to
find a mess when I get home.

I've got to go to the store. I'll be back in about an hour.



I expect dinner to be ready when I get home.

I've got to get out of here before I go nuts! I need a drink.

Hey, that might be a good idea. There's nothing on TV tonight.



LATER, AT HOME

KNOCK
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(Gasp)... I'd better hide this.
Linda will kill me if she finds
I've spent more money on
these porno flicks.

Oh, uh, hi there, Charlie.

You look a little
guilty, old buddy.
Whatcha been up to?

Oh, nothing, Charlie. I'm
just watching a movie.

Good. I'll come in and join you.

Some of this stuff is pretty
kinky, Henry... but not as wild
as what my daughter told me.

You know, Henry,
I know about your
“little secret.”

What secret?

I know what's going
on with Lisa. That's
pretty juicy gossip.

I'll keep quiet, old buddy, if
we can share and share alike.

TWO MONTHS LATER

Mr. Walker, Lisa's tests show that it **isn't** just a rash.

Then what is it?

Herpes Simplex Type II.
I think we **need** to talk.

I'll go to prison! What'll I do?
Everybody's going to know what I've done. I can't face being locked up. I'm going to kill myself.

Henry, I'm not only your doctor. I'm also your friend.

I know what's been going on. Lisa told me the whole ugly story about you and the neighbor when I made the tests.

**SHE
LIED!**

No, Henry, I've examined Lisa, and I know she's telling the truth. She was sexually abused.

What a mess!

Yes, it's true. Oh, God,
how did this ever happen?

Only God
can help you,
Henry.

I never **meant** for this to happen!
It all started when my marriage
began falling apart. I lost my job,
and my wife had to go to work.



I can't even make a decent friend.
I guess I'm a **total failure!**

I started drinking
and my wife
started pulling
away from me.
Linda doesn't
have any **respect**
for me any more.

Henry, **God** sees it all. He sees
what's happening all over the world.
Every home and every secret is
open to His eyes. The Bible tells us
that **nothing** is hidden.*



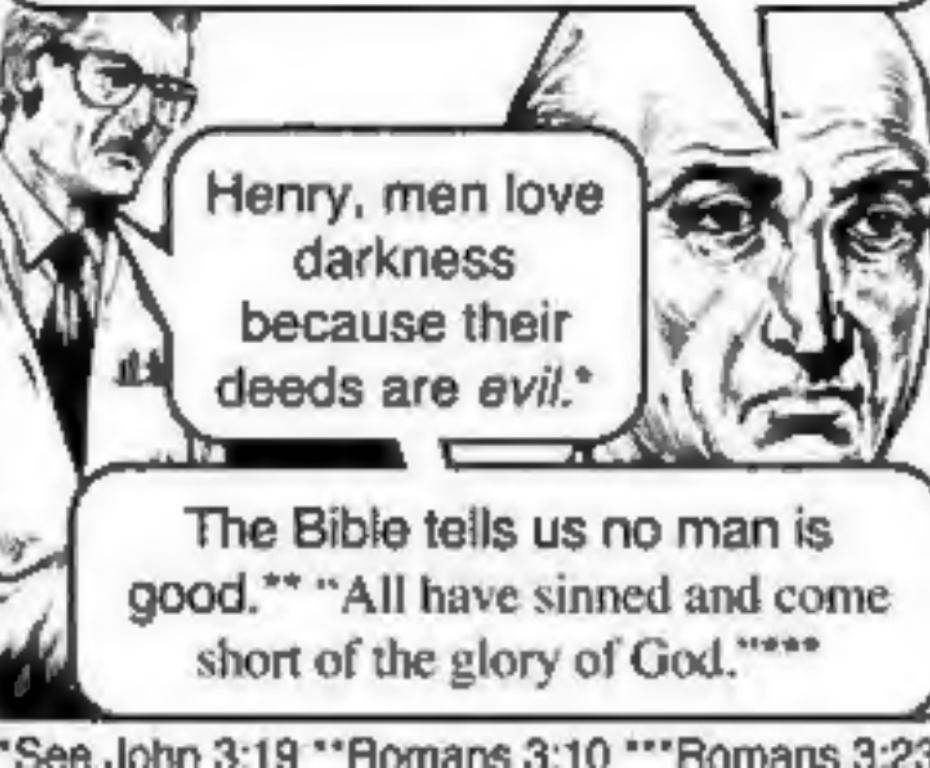
Don't you **get it?** I could
go to **prison** for this!



True, but you're headed for a far worse place than that, Henry.

How can you say a thing like that? I was always a *good* person until **this** happened.

Now I feel like a "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" — like a creature of the night, but **basically**, I'm good.



Henry, men love darkness because their deeds are *evil*.*

The Bible tells us no man is good.** "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God."***

*See John 3:19 **Romans 3:10 ***Romans 3:23



Okay, so I'm going to hell. ***So what?***
I've been told it's not so bad. I'll have
lots of company. All my friends will
be there. Haw, Haw!

You ***don't*** know
what you're talking
about, Henry

You bought the lie that hell
is going to be one big party

In reality, hell is going to be a
never-ending nightmare, a place
of screams and utter torment



It's more horrible than you can imagine.



You'll be completely aware of the torment surrounding you, in total darkness and absolutely alone, without hope

Henry, Jesus spoke more about hell than anyone else because He wanted us to know that it is a very real place



Why would God want us to go to hell?



He doesn't!



God is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance"

"II Peter 3:9b

It looks like there's no hope for me.



God did something very special — He made a way for you to be with Him in heaven. But the choice is up to you.



**Jesus came to this world to die
for you on the cross. He shed
His precious blood to pay the
terrible price for your sins.**



"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life ***

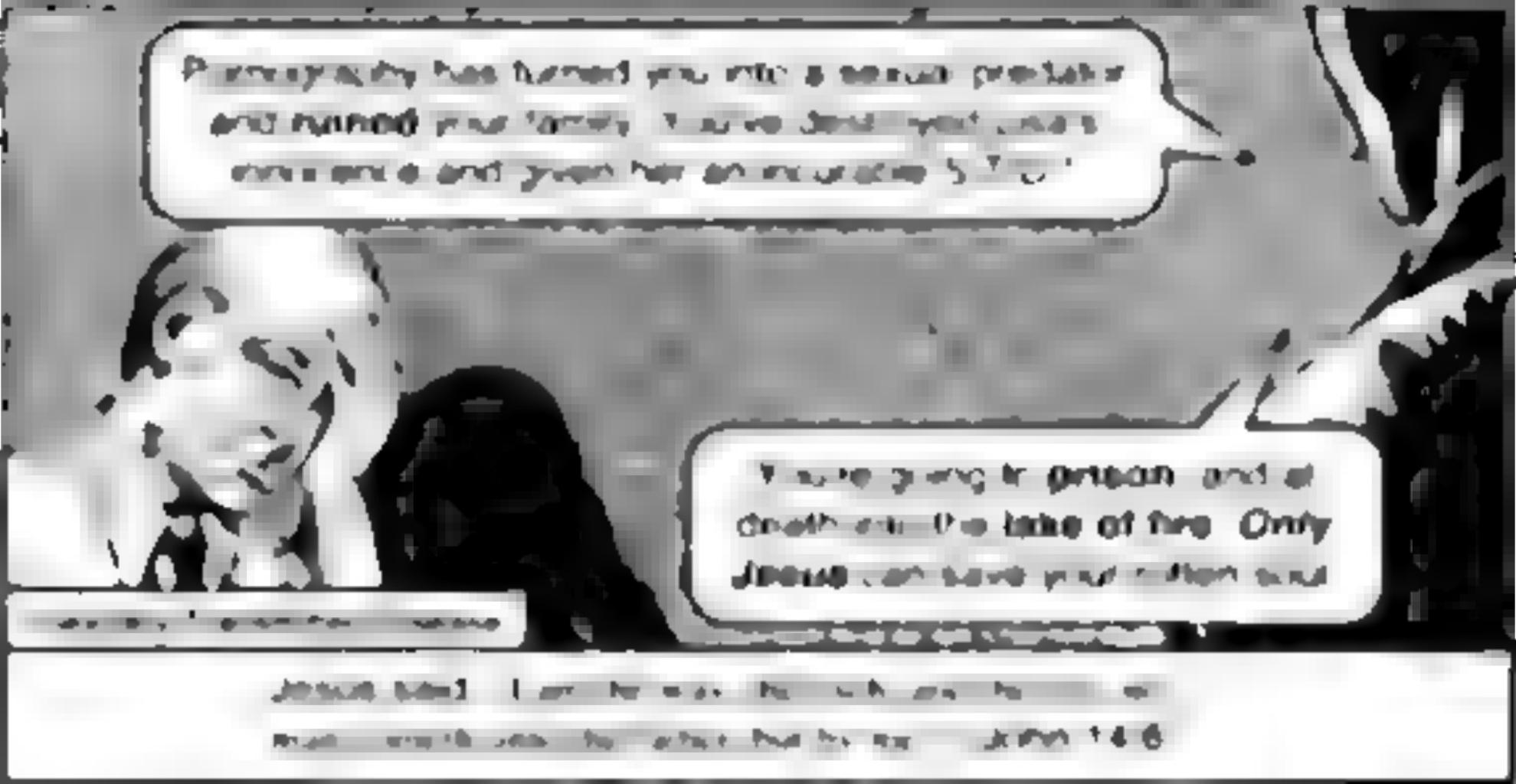
*John 3:16

**In other words, He took the
punishment that you deserved.**

**That's God's love gift to you.
IF you accept Jesus as your
Saviour, He will set you free.**



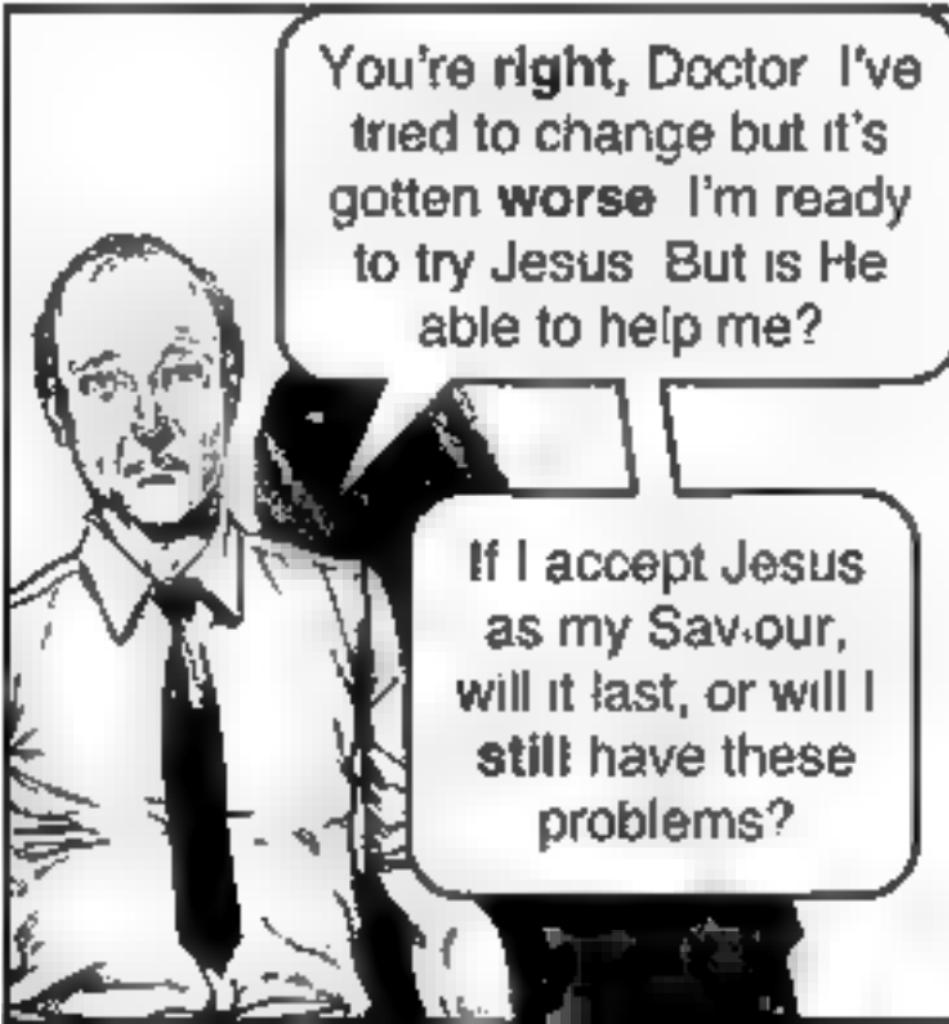
"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." John 8:36



Persecution has turned you into a scared predictor
and ruined your family. You've lost your voice
and courage and you're so confused. You

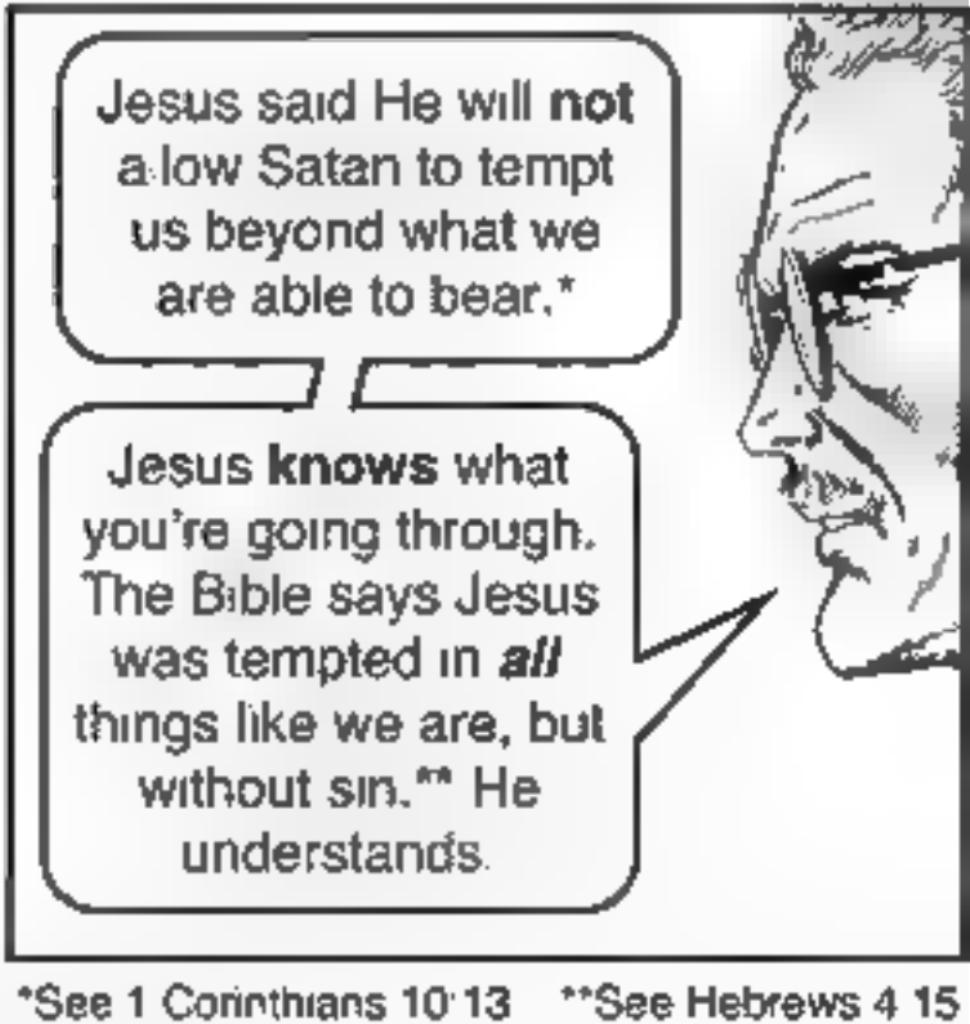
You're going to prison and at
death row. One lake of fire. Only
Jesus can save your nation and

Jesus said I am the way the truth and the life
No one comes to the Father but by me John 14:6



You're right, Doctor. I've tried to change but it's gotten worse. I'm ready to try Jesus. But is He able to help me?

If I accept Jesus as my Saviour, will it last, or will I still have these problems?



Jesus said He will not allow Satan to tempt us beyond what we are able to bear.*

Jesus knows what you're going through. The Bible says Jesus was tempted in all things like we are, but without sin.** He understands.

Doctor, I'm *so sorry* for what I've done. I'm so ashamed. I don't want to go to hell!

Will Jesus forgive someone as rotten as me?

Yes, Henry, *IF* you repent.* Let's pray

"Jesus said, "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:3

THEY PRAY, AND MOMENTS LATER

I feel different, Doctor
I feel clean.

God has forgiven a *horrible* wretch like me.

Thank You, Lord!
You're such a merciful and wonderful God to clean me up.
I'm so grateful!

I know you have to report me, but I'm willing to face the consequences.



I know I can make it now. I never knew Jesus could be this *real!*

Honey, the most *wonderful* thing happened to me today.



You got a job?



Linda, I'm ready to face
the music for what I've done.

I've been a **rotten** husband
and a **horrible** father. But
that stops as of now.

WHAT??



I **can** see
something
different, Henry.

Great!

But what does
that do to solve
my problems?

My life's been a
living hell ever since
I can remember.

I'm at the point where I hate you and I hate Lisa. But most of all, *I hate myself!*



Henry, I know what's been going on. It happened to me years ago, thanks to my perverted uncle. I just *didn't* want to believe it was going on in my home.

I couldn't face it. That's why I stayed away from you as much as I could.



But that made the situation worse. I was so *angry* I took out my frustration on **Lisa**. And I really *hurt* her, Henry! I'm out of control.

Something's **got** to stop this nightmare. The girls are suffering. Lisa could be scarred for life.



Linda, **only Jesus** can stop it, but we've got to let Him straighten out this mess.

I want to be forgiven too, Henry. How did you pray? Help me to know Jesus.



Alright, Linda. Let's pray together.

Okay.

10 MINUTES LATER

Oh, Henry! God forgave **both** of us!
I feel like a new person!* I love you
and Lisa. Will she **ever** forgive us?
We must **never** hurt her again.



Lisa, your daddy and I will
never hurt you again.



THE BIBLE SAYS THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HEAVEN!

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

NOBODY ELSE CAN SAVE YOU. TRUST JESUS TODAY!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9

1. Admit you are a sinner. See Romans 3:10
2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent). See Acts 17:30
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried and rose from the dead. See Rom. 10:9-10
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your life to become your personal Saviour. See Rom. 10:13

WHAT TO PRAY

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His precious blood and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Saviour.

If you trusted Jesus as your Saviour, you have just begun a wonderful new life with Him. Now:

1. Read your Bible every day to get to know Jesus Christ better.
2. Talk to God in prayer every day.
3. Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.
4. Tell others about Jesus Christ.

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